

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

PAYING TRIBUTE TO HENRIETTA
FORE

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 24, 2007

Mr. PORTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my fellow Nevadan and dear friend, Henrietta Fore, for her professional success and service to our country.

Henrietta H. Fore was designated by President George W. Bush as Acting Administrator of USAID and designated by Secretary Condoleezza Rice as Acting Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance on May 7, 2007. While serving in these capacities, she remains Under Secretary of State for Management, a position she has held since 2005. Prior to her roll as Acting Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance and Acting Administrator of USAID, Henrietta served as the 37th Director of the United States Mint in the Department of Treasury from 2001–2005. In this capacity, she managed the world's largest manufacturer of coins, medals, and coin products. Henrietta has also served in the State Department as the Assistant Administrator for Private Enterprise in the U.S. Agency for International Development and then Assistant Administrator for Asia between 1989–1993.

Prior to her career in government, Henrietta was an extremely successful businesswoman and served on numerous public boards and held leadership position in a number of non-profit organizations. Henrietta has also enjoyed a variety of academic successes. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in History from Wellesley College and a Master of Science in Public Administration from the University of Northern Colorado. She has also studied International Politics at Oxford University and studied at Stanford University Graduate School of Business.

In addition, over the course of her long and distinguished career, Henrietta has earned a number of accolades. In 1997, the State of the World Forum recognized Henrietta with the Women Redefining Leadership Award. In 2004 she was honored with the Alumnae Award from the University of Northern Colorado and in 2006 she received the Alumnae Award from the Baldwin School.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor my good friend Henrietta Fore. She has truly made the great state of Nevada proud. I congratulate her for her personal and professional success and wish her the best with her new appointment as Director of the United States Agency for International Development.

IN HONOR OF PASTOR CALVIN C.
BROWN

HON. JASON ALTMIRE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 24, 2007

Mr. ALTMIRE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Pastor Calvin C. Brown. Pastor Brown has served as the pastor for the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Beaver Falls for the past 46 years. During his years of service to the community, he has become a well known and beloved church leader for the residents of Beaver Falls and families throughout the region.

Throughout his illustrious career, Pastor Brown brought hope to many by starting ministries and preaching across the country. He has been an exceptional citizen within his home community where he worked tirelessly to help others who are less fortunate. His accomplishments include working with the Housing Authority of Beaver County to locate homes for those in need, serving as chaplain for the local sheriff's department in Beaver Falls, and performing marriage ceremonies for countless couples. Local residents often speak with Pastor Brown on his regular walks around town, where he warmly greets others and always lifts their spirits.

I want to commend Pastor Brown for his commitment to the community of Beaver Falls as a pastor, brother, friend, and confidant. I congratulate him on his career and wish him all the best in his retirement.

THE CAMPAIGN EXPENDITURE TRANSPARENCY ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. MICHAEL N. CASTLE

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 23, 2007

Mr. CASTLE. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join my colleague Representative ADAM SCHIFF in supporting H.R. 2630, the Campaign Expenditure Transparency Act.

By ending the practice of making campaign payments to a candidate or Federal officeholder's spouse and by requiring the disclosure of any payments made to other family members, we can eliminate the perception that campaign payments are a means for converting campaign funds to the family's personal use. While I support going one step further to prohibit the same payments to immediate family members, and have introduced legislation to do so, I am pleased to lend my support to H.R. 2630, which takes us in the right direction.

Specifically, H.R. 2630 would prohibit the campaign from compensating the spouse of

the candidate. The prohibition would create an exception for reimbursements on travel, and an exception for nominal reimbursements up to \$500 in a calendar year. The bill also requires disclosure to the Federal Election Commission, FEC, of all reimbursements.

H.R. 2630 would also require disclosure to the FEC of payments to immediate family members of the candidate or Federal officeholder. The prohibition and disclosure requirements would also apply to businesses where the spouse or family member is an officer or director of the business. Penalty for violation of these provisions would be imposed on the candidate or officeholder.

Numerous Members of Congress employ their spouses and family members for campaign activity without abusing the system. However, the practice of paying spouses and family members creates the potential for campaign finance and ethics abuses. If a payment to a spouse becomes part of the Member's family income, the Member, for all practical purposes, is receiving a direct personal financial benefit of campaign funds.

I believe it is our responsibility to close the gaps in our laws and in our rules that have been exposed and to restore the confidence of the American people in their elected officials.

H.R. 2630 moves us in the direction of increased transparency and I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to join me in supporting the legislation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TIMOTHY V. JOHNSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 24, 2007

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, unfortunately yesterday, July 23, 2007, I was unable to cast my votes on H.R. 404, H. Res. 553, H. Res. 519, and the Previous Question on H. Res. 558 and wish the record to reflect my intentions had I been able to vote.

Had I been present for rollcall No. 687 on suspending the rules and passing H.R. 404, the Federal Customer Service Enhancement Act, I would have voted "yea."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 688 on suspending the rules and passing H. Res. 553, Mourning the passing of Lady Bird Johnson, I would have voted "yea."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 689 on suspending the rules and passing H. Res. 519, Honoring the life and accomplishments of Tom Lea on the 100th anniversary of his birth, I would have voted "yea."

Had I been present for rollcall No. 690 on Ordering the Previous Question on H. Res. 558, providing for consideration of H.R. 3074, the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies, FY 2008, I would have voted "nay."

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